

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	M. Shepard et al.	Attorney Docket No.:	MSFT122465
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AMENDMENT A

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed August 23, 2006 (hereinafter "Office Action"), applicants submit the following amendments and remarks with respect to the above-identified application.

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